of the problem of spionage in the border States in general and in Kutch district of Gujarat in particular.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Vigilance by the security agencies on the Indo-Pak border and other vulnerable and sensitive points including Defence installations has been intensified and concerned security agencies remain constantly alert to detect unearth and neutralise any attempt at espinoage by any individual or organisation.

Permission to Tata group to start Business outside India

3227. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have permitted Forbes Forbes Campbell, a company of Tata Group, to start several companies outside India,

(b) whether the application has been routed through the Reserve Bank of India;

(c) whether the Company has violated the provisions of Foreign Exchange Regulation Act;

(d) Whether the Enforcement Directorate has investigated into the matter; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) No such permission was accorded to Tata Company in question as per the records available with the Government.

(b) No such application has been received by RBI.

(c) to (e) Search action was taken by the Enforcement Directorate on 16-3.83 and on the basis of investigations made, no contravention of provisions of FERA was noticed.

Violation of FERA by Bombay Dyeing

3228. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA. Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Bombay Dyeing and Manufacturing Company has already entered into a correspondance with Directorate of Enforcement, seeking pardon for slip ups or for its violations of FERA rules; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken following such correspondance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

3229 *[Transferred to the 9th December, 1987]*

Loan advanced by the Nationalised Banks

3230. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of loan advanced by the Nationalised Banks during the last three years in which the amount sanctioned and disbursed is less than ten thousand rupees per person and to how many persons it has been distributed;

(b) what amount has been disbursed during the same period to affluent and rich persons *i.e.* to howmany persons loan worth more than 10 lakhs per person (or company) has been sanctioned and what is the total amount sanctioned to them; and

(c) whether Government propose to ensure that the loan in part (a) above which is disbursed to poor people should be more than the loan sanctioned for rich persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The present data reporting system of Re-

serve Bank of India does not yield separate information for loans below Rs. 10,000/-.

(b) The information regarding loans of Rs. 10 lakhs and above as on the last Friday of June, 1983, 1984 and 1985 (latest available) is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) The bank loans are given on need based requirements and there is considerable variation in the credit requirements of different categories of borrowers. The Government have launched a number of subsidy supported schemes for improving the borrowing capacity of weaker sections. The banks have also been given specific targets for lending to weaker sections of society.

Statement

Information regarding Loans of Rs. 10 lakhs and above for three years (last available) in respect of 28 Public Sector Banks

(As on the Last Friday of June)

(*Amount in Rs. crores*)

	Credit Limit more than Rs. 10 lakhs
1983 :	
1. No. of Accounts*	3322
2. Credit Limit Sanctioned	26860 21
3. Amount Outstanding	17750 70
1984	
1. No. of Accounts*	37577
2. Credit Limit Sanctioned	28306.64
3. Amount Outstanding	20385 52
1985 :	
1 No. of Accounts*	47343
2. Credit Limit Sanctioned	32611 30
3. Amount Outstanding	23881 06

*The accounts over individuals, Companies, Corporations etc.

Visit of Chairman, Fairfax under a False Passport

3231. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mr. Hershman, the Chairman of Fairfax visited India by the end of 1986 under a false name and under a false passport;

(b) if so, whether Mr. Bhure Lal, the Chief of the enforcement Bureau of the Ministry of Finance knew about his visit which took place under false name and false passport when he met Mr. Hershman to settle the deal; and

(c) if so, what were the reasons for such illegal action by Mr Bhure Lal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, (SHRI B. K GADHVI): (a) to (c) Various aspects of the issues relating to Fairfax Group Inc. of USA have been looked into by Justices Thakkar-Natarajan Commission of Inquiry. The Commission has submitted its report on 30th November 1987 which is being examined.

Availability of Water in India

3232 SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total TMC of water available in India from all resources;